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FOR CALDERHEAD FROM DR. GABLE

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SUBJECT: FEDERAL EXECUTIVE INSTITUTE SEMINAR, MEXICO CITY
APRIL 5-9

1. I GREATLY APPRECIATE THE ASSISTANCE YOU AND THE EMBASSY STAFF ARE PROVIDING TO HELP US ARRANGE THE FEI FIELD TRIP TO MEXICO. ALTHOUGH MY ORIGINAL INTENT WAS TO TAKE SOME OF THIS BURDEN OFF THE EMBASSY BY WORKING THROUGH THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION, BECAUSE I HAVE STILL NOT BEEN IN DIRECT TOUCH WITH ANDRES CASO LOMBARDO, I AM ADDRESSING TO YOU.

2. I HAVE JUST COMPLETED A PRELIMINARY SURVEY OF THE 64 EXECUTIVES ENROLLED IN THE CURRENT SESSION. 29 HAVE INDICATED A DESIRE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FIELD TRIP. UNDOUBTEDLY, SOME WILL DROP OUT BECAUSE THEIR AGENCY IS NOT WILLING TO FUND THE TRIP OR BECAUSE THEY CHANGED THEIR MINDS. THE FINAL COUNT WILL PROBABLY BE BETWEEN 15 AND 20, PLUS 2 FACULTY. AS SOON AS I HAVE A FIRM FIGURE, I WILL SEND IT TO YOU.

3. EACH EXECUTIVE WILL ARRANGE HIS OR HER TRAVEL SCHEDULE.

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SOME MAY EXTEND THEIR STAY BY ARRIVING ON SATURDAY,

APRIL 3, AND LEAVING SUNDAY, APRIL 11. I WILL ARRIVE ON

THURSDAY, APRIL 1, SO THAT I HAVE FRIDAY TO WORK ON FINAL ARRANGEMENTS WITH APPROPRIATE PERSONS IN THE EMBASSY AND THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION.

4. I RESERVED 17 SINGLE ROOMS IN THE GENEVE HOTEL THROUGH A LOCAL AGENCY. (TRIPLE A). WITH THE ADDITION OF THE 10 RESERVATIONS YOU ARE HAVING YOUR STAFF MAKE, WE SHOULD HAVE SUFFICIENT ROOMS. WHEN I KNOW THE EXACT ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE DATES OF EACH PARTICIPANT, I WILL SEND THIS INFORMATION IN A SINGLE COMMUNICATION SO THAT APPROPRIATE ADJUSTMENTS CAN BE MADE IN THE BLOCK OF 27 HOTEL RESERVATIONS TO CONFORM WITH EACH PERSON'S SCHEDULE.

5. FOLLOWING IS THE SCHEDULE OF THE VISIT WE DISCUSSED ON THE PHONE. AS I INDICATED, WE DO NOT FEEL THAT IT IS DESIRABLE TO SIT IN ONE PLACE ALL DAY. THEREFORE, I AM TRYING TO PROVIDE MOVEMENT AND VARIETY. EVEN IN A HALF-DAY BLOCK, I WANT TO AVOID LONG LECTURES. RATHER, I HOPE THAT THERE WILL BE PANEL DISCUSSIONS WITH GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR GIVE AND TAKE. IN THE CASE OF THE MEXICAN GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, I HOPE THAT PART OF EACH PRESENTATION WILL INCLUDE AN ON-SITE VISIT OF SOME KIND. IN ALL CASES, WE HOPE THE FOCUS WILL BE ON THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASPECTS OF THE PROGRAM UNDER DISCUSSION. IF POSSIBLE, THE SPEAKERS MIGHT HIGHLIGHT THE DIFFERENCES, IF ANY, BETWEEN TRADITIONAL, OR MAINTENANCE ADMINISTRATION, AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION, THAT IS, ADMINISTRATION OF CHANGE AND DEVELOPMENT.

6. THE TUESDAY AFTERNOON PERIOD IS TO BE USED FOR INDIVIDUALIZED VISITS AND OBSERVATIONAL TOURS. A NUMBER OF EXECUTIVES HAVE INDICATED INTEREST IN SUCH DIVERSED PROGRAMS AS POLICE, MENTAL HEALTH, HOUSING, EDUCATION, ETC. I WILL COLLECT A LIST OF SPECIFIC INTERESTS AND CONSOLIDATE THEM INTO AS FEW DIFFERENT SUBJECTS AS POSSIBLE. I WILL SEND YOU THAT LIST THE WEEK OF MARCH 15. HOPEFULLY, THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE UNCLASSIFIED

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WILL BE ABLE TO ASSIST IN ARRANGING SUCH INDIVIDUALIZED VISITS.

7. THE BUS TOUR OF THE CITY AND TO THE PYRAMIDS WILL BE WELCOME CHANGE OF PACE. WE APPRECIATE THE OFFER OF SOMEONE FROM THE EMBASSY TO ACCOMPANY US TO GIVE A RUNNING COMMENTARY. THE BUS TOUR TO THE MEXICAN AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL IN CHAPINGO AND TO THE ROCKEFELLER

RESEARCH CENTER PROMISES TO BE REWARDING. THE COST OF
BUS RENTAL FOR 2 DAYS WILL BE PRORATED TO EACH PERSON

IN THE GROUP. I WILL COLLECT AND PAY RENTAL CHARGES.

8. THE FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION WITH A PANEL OF
THREE FULBRIGHT SCHOLARS (OSBORN, VEGAS, & VILLAREAL) WILL
BE AN EXCELLENT WAY TO WRAP UP THE WEEK'S EXPERIENCE.
BRIEF PRESENTATIONS OF 15 TO 20 MINUTES BY EACH PERSON
MIGHT BE MADE TO BEGIN. HOWEVER, I THINK THE GREATEST
VALUE WOULD BE TO ALLOW THE EXECUTIVES TO ASK QUESTIONS
AND ENGAGE IN A DISCUSSION WITH THE FULBRIGHTERS.

9. I AM SURE THEY WILL BE LOADED WITH QUESTIONS BY
WEEK'S END AND WILL BE IN A BETTER POSITION TO UTILIZE
THE EXPERTISE OF THIS PANEL THAN IF THEY MET WITH THEM
THE FIRST DAY.

10. AMBASSADOR MCBRIDE WILL BRIEF THE GROUP HERE ON
MARCH 29 PRIOR TO OUR DEPARTURE.

11. PROPOSED SCHEDULE:

- MONDAY, APRIL 5

- AM - EMBASSY BRIEFING
- PM - MEXICAN MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH

- TUESDAY, APRIL 6

-- AM - NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
-- PM - INDIVIDUALIZED VISITS FOR SMALL GROUPS

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-- WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7

ALL DAY - HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL TOUR

- THURSDAY, APRIL 8

-- ALL DAY - AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AND LAND
-- REFORM; MEXICAN AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL
-- AND ROCKEFELLER RESEARCH CENTER

- FRIDAY, APRIL 9

-- AM - MEXICAN MINISTRY OF SOCIAL SECURITY
-- PM - DISCUSSION WITH PANEL OF THREE FULBRIGHT
--- SCHOLARS AT EMBASSY ON MEXICAN ADMINISTRATION

12. AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR YOUR GREAT ASSISTANCE. KISSINGER

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